

DESERT

Desert Subregional Planning Area

2000 Census Population ¹ :	608
Community 2020 Target:	2,079
Working Copy Population:	1,400

KEY ISSUES IDENTIFIED:

- Groundwater overdraft. More than 5 times the amount of water that goes into the aquifer is taken out.
- Groundwater dependent. There is no imported water in the subregion.

CONCEPTS AND CRITERIA USED IN CREATION OF MAP:

Regional Categories (Structure):

- Rural areas consist of areas with rugged terrain, sensitive biological habitats, flood danger, and lack of infrastructure and parcelization. Water is the major determining factor for growth. Most of the private in-holdings within the State Park lack access.
- Public/semi-public – the majority of the land in the Desert Subregion is owned and managed by the State Park.

Land Use Distribution Criteria:

- Environmental constraints determined density patterns.
- Majority of the subregion lacks access.
- Recognized existing patterns of development.

ADVISORY GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS:

Interest Group:

- No major issues identified.

Sponsor Group:

- No planning/sponsor group representation.

¹ *subarea does not include group quarters*